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SUBJ: CLASSIC AMERICAN FILM PROGRAM

1. EMBASSY BELIEVES ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO MAKE CULTURAL IMPACT LOCALLY IS THROUGH USE OF FILMS. THIS IS SO NOT ONLY BECAUSE BAHAMIANS LIKE MOVIES BUT BECAUSE THERE IS AN INFLUENTIAL SEGMENT OF BAHAMIANS WITH CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN FILM CLASSICS WHICH IS NOT MET BY COMMERCIAL MOVIE HOUSES HERE. A GROUP OF BAHAMIANS SET UP A CLASSIC FILM CLUB HERE SOME YEARS AGO WHICH FOUNDERED ON THE UNWILLINGNESS OF COMMERCIAL HOUSES TO MAKE FACILITIES AVAILABLE.

2. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT USIA OFFERS A CLASSICAL AMERICAN FILM PROGRAM TO POSTS. THIS PROGRAM MAKES AVAILABLE A WIDE SELECTION OF THE BEST US FILMS, SILENT AND SOUND, FOR TWO-WEEK PERIODS FOR ABOUT DOLS 30 PER FILM. EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS PROGRAM COULD BE VERY USEFUL HERE. EMBASSY WOULD EXPECT TO ARRANGE SMALL SCREENINGS FOR SELECTED BAHAMIANS IN BOTH EMBASSY BUILDING AND OFFICERS' HOMES, POSSIBLY COMBINED WITH REFRESHMENTS AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS.

3. REQUEST DEPARTMENT ASCERTAIN WHETHER NASSAU CAN BE ADDED TO CLASSIC AMERICAN FILM PROGRAM AND FORWARD INFORMATION ON PROGRAM AND FILM CATALOGUE.  
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